

MINUTES

MONTANA SENATE 60th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE, LIVESTOCK AND IRRIGATION

Call to Order: By **CHAIRMAN KEN (KIM) HANSEN**, on April 2, 2007 at 3:20 P.M., in Room 405 Capitol.

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Sen. Ken (Kim) Hansen, Chairman (D)
Sen. Keith Bales (R)
Sen. Gerald Pease (D)
Sen. Frank Smith (D)
Sen. Donald J. Steinbeisser (R)

Members Excused:

Sen. John Brueggeman (R)
Sen. Lane L. Larson (D)

Members Absent: None.

Staff Present: Carol Andersen, Committee Secretary
Doug Sternberg, Legislative Branch

Audio Committees: These minutes are in outline form only. They provide a list of participants and a record of official action taken by the committee. The link to the audio recording of the meeting is available on the Legislative Branch website.

Committee Business Summary:

Hearing & Date Posted: HB 175, 3/30/2007
Executive Action: None.

HEARING ON HB 175

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:00:36 REP. BOB BERGREN (D), HD 33, opened the hearing on HB 175, Revise ethanol production laws.

Proponents:

00:03:55 Bob Gilbert, Montana Aviation Trades Association

00:04:58 Tim Reardon, Montana Department of Transportation

00:09:39 John Semple, Montana Grain Growers Association

00:10:03 Gail Abercrombie, Montana Petroleum Association

Opponents: None.

Informational Testimony:

00:13:10 Jack Kane, Montana Department of Labor and Industry

00:13:38 Brian Spangler, Montana Department of Environmental Quality, Bio-Energy Program

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:14:00 Sen. Smith to Bob Gilbert

00:16:05 Doug Sternberg to Gail Abercrombie

00:17:18 Sen. Pease to Rep. Bergren

00:19:14 Sen. Steinbeisser to Rep. Bergren

Closing by Sponsor:

00:22:12 Rep. Bergren

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 3:45 P.M.

SEN. KEN (KIM) HANSEN, Chairman

CAROL ANDERSEN, Secretary

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Additional Exhibits:

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